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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2004, please consider the following remarks. Submitted simultaneously herewith is a Request for THREE (3) MONTHS Extension of Time with the required fee.